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(Case No. 98,429)

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In re the Application of:

Karl W. Hasel and Brian S. Hilbush

Serial No. 09/186,869

Filed: November 4, 1998

For: Method for Indexing and Determining
The Relative Concentration of Expressed
Messenger RNAs

Examiner J. Fredman

Group Art Unit 1655

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

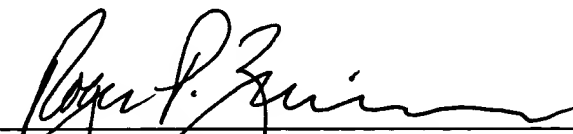
Applicant respectfully requests a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed October 25, 2000. A response will therefore become due by April 25, 2001. Applicants enclose a check covering the small entity extension fee of \$445.00.

Respectfully submitted,

**McDONNELL BOEHNEN
HULBERT & BERGHOFF**

Date: April 24, 2001

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